

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Barton D. Gaskins <i>et al.</i>	)	Confirmation No.: 5878
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

This paper responds to the Office Action, dated November 14, 2009, time for response to which expired February 14, 2009. An extension of time of one month is filed concurrently, thereby extending the period of response to March 14, 2009. Since March 14, 2009, fell on a Saturday, the next business day rule applies. Thus, this response is timely filed.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.